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Military Information from Eberswalde

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ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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1. At 6:30 p.m. on 14 September 1952, the bulk of the headquarters personnel left the Schuetzen Kaserne on Bernauer Heer Strasse, Eberswalde (N 53°V 08°), in 63 sedans, 12 trucks and 3 buses toward Eberswalde and Bad Freienwalde.

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30 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and carrying ammunition and baggage; and 5 ambulances moved from the railroad station to the Schuetzen Kaserne. About noon on 18 September, 130 old trucks were assembled at the railroad station, apparently for entraining. The Schuetzen Kaserne was occupied by about 3,500 troops on the same day. Most of the headquarters personnel were absent.

2. On 18 September, the Artillerie Kaserne on Freienwalder Strasse was occupied by about 1,000 troops, with 12 trucks

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each occupied by 30 soldiers which entered the installation on 12 September.

3. On 18 September, four 85-mm AA guns were noticed at the AA gun emplacement at the Westend Schule.

4. On 9 September, the Maerkische Elektrizitaetswerk at the Kleinbahnhof was occupied by a headquarters. About 10 officers were seen in the yard of the installation.

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5. During the period from 1 to 16 September, the Schuetzen Kaserne on Bernauer Heer Strasse and the Artillerie Kaserne on Freienwalder Strasse were only lightly occupied. The buildings were only partially lighted at dusk.

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6. During the period from 4 to 15 September, only individual soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets were seen in the hutment on Breitscheid Strasse. Twelve motor vehicles were parked at a parking site.

7. Units picking up milk and butter at the Eberswalde dairy during the period from 1 to 6 September and from 8 to 16 September included:

25X1 Unit Borodin, with truck [redacted] driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets;

25X1 Unit Deka, with truck [redacted] driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets;

25X1 Unit Stalova, with truck [redacted] driven by a civilian;

25X1 Unit Bogdanov, with truck [redacted] driven by a soldier with black-bordered blue epaulets.

8. During the period from 5 to 12 September, the Schuetzen Kaserne was occupied by about 600 to 700 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery and motor transport insignia.

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9. During the period from 5 to 12 September, the western section of the Artillerie Kaserne on Freienwalder Strasse was occupied by about 250 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery and motor transport insignia. Individual detachments of up to 75 soldiers carrying light equipment and entrenching tools left the installation. Small details were seen practicing in the barracks yard.

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25X1 [redacted] Comment. The movement of elements of the HQ Fourth Gds Ncz Army, presumably to Templin, on 14 September 1952 as well as the arrival of units of the 312th Lds Rgt of the same army, presumably from Lieberose, on 13 September and the return of component units of the 63d AAA Div (US), possibly from Wustrow, were previously reported.

25X1 [redacted] Comment. The varying statements on the strengths of the units stationed in the Schuetzen Kaserne and Artillerie Kaserne are believed to be due to errors in estimates. The information furnished [redacted] paragraphs 7 and 9 appears to be most probable. On the whole, there appears to have been no change in the occupation of military installations in Eberswalde.

25X1 [redacted] Except for Unit Bogdanov all the units reportedly picking up milk and butter were known previously from reports [redacted]

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